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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 21-0392 **Date:** July 6, 2021 Bill Status: **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Coram: Hansen Signed into Law Rep. McLachlan; Carver Fiscal Analyst: Aaron Carpenter | 303-866-4918 Aaron.Carpenter@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** STRENGTHENING CIVICS EDUCATION Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ State Expenditure ☐ Local Government □ State Transfer This bill modifies what must be included in civic standards. Starting in FY 2021-22, the bill will increase local workload on an ongoing basis. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. **Summary: Fiscal Note** This fiscal note reflects the enacted bill. Status:

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires that public school courses that teach civil government include instruction on specified topics in civics education. The State Board of Education must update the academic content standards for civics to comply with these requirements during the next standards review cycle. The bill also encourages schools or schools districts to partner with local service organization to solicit donations to improve the quality of civic education.

School District

If public school districts or schools receive donations to improve the quality of civics education, revenue to the local school or district will increase.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 6, 2021, and takes effect on September 7, 2021, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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